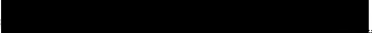


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1. In late April 1951, Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) 3242 was located at Burg airfield and numbered about 1,800 police. Two hundred of them had been recruited since December 1950.
2. The VPD was organized into 3 infantry Kommandos, 1 artillery Kommando and 7 Sonderabteilungen. The 1st Sonderabteilung was a reconnaissance unit, the 2d a signal unit, the 3d an engineer unit, the 4th an AT artillery unit, the 5th an AAA unit, the 6th a mortar unit and the 7th an armored unit. The 1st Sonderabteilung consisted of 2 motorcycle Zuege, currently equipped with only bicycles and 1 maintenance section. Twenty-three motorcycles were available, but were not used because the police had not yet been taught to ride them. An armored reconnaissance Zug, which would probably also be assigned to the 1st Sonderabteilung, was attached to the 7th Sonderabteilung. The 6th Sonderabteilung (Mortar) consisted of 2 Zuege of 3 Gruppen each.
3. In addition to German and Soviet small arms, the unit was equipped with 2 T-34 tanks; 2 German SP guns; several guns of various calibers, including AT and AA guns; an undetermined number of Soviet light, medium and heavy mortars; an undetermined number of Maxim machine guns; 1 model 42 machine gun and about 8 armored ammunition carriers.

b. Officers of the VPD included:

Rank and Name

VP Kommandeur Neubert, (fnu)
 VP Oberrat Stibbe, (fnu)
 VP Oberrat Illmann, (fnu)
 VP Rat Schrammer, (fnu)

VP Oberrat Gutermuth, (fnu)

Appointment

Commanding officer
 PK officer
 Chief instructor
 SED secretary, wearer of the
 VP medal, a member of the VVN
 (Association of Victims of
 Nazism.)
 Director of training, an ex-
 officer.

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<u>Rank and Name</u>	<u>Appointment</u>
VP Oberrat Becker, (fnu)	Director of artillery training, an ex-officer.
VP Oberrat Helmut Brandis	Director of armored training, an ex-tank officer.
VP Oberrat Geike, (fnu)	Chief of staff, previously commanding officer of the former 3d VP Bereitschaft.
VP Oberrat Gottschalk, (fnu)	Ordnance officer.
VP Kommissar Wagner, (fnu)	Commanding officer of 2d Kommando.
VP Oberkommissar Hering, (fnu)	PK officer of 2d Kommando.
VP Rat Reichert, (fnu)	Commanding officer of 4th Kommando.
VP Kommissar Harald Gentsow,	Commanding officer of 6th Sonderabteilung.

5. The unit was scheduled to hold joint exercises with elements of the Soviet Army every four weeks. [REDACTED] 25X1C

- F-2 6. There are 50 to 60 police in the motorcycle Abteilung of the VPD in Burg. They were training in the armory with 2 T-34 tanks, 3 SP guns and 2 ammunition carriers. The signal Abteilung had 20 to 25 police and was equipped with telephone material and some German portable radio sets. The mortar Abteilung had 35 to 40 police and was equipped with 3 heavy, 5 medium and 5 to 7 light Soviet mortars. The AT artillery Abteilung had 35 to 40 police who received training only in the armory and was equipped with 2 Soviet 76-mm guns.

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